



Climate Initiatives Task Force

EQUITY ADVISORY GROUP

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9:00 AM

Online Meeting Via Zoom for Member Participants

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The following constitute minutes of the Climate Initiatives Task Force Equity Advisory Group Meeting and are not a verbatim transcript of the proceedings. Audio and video recordings of the meetings are available for viewing and kept at the Office of the Governor-Coastal Activities Office in Baton Rouge, LA.

Meeting Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

- Ms. Pichon Battle, Ms. Parfait-Dardar, Mr. Allen, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cole, Ms. Russell, Ms. Brown, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Colten, Ms. Gardere

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Cochran
Seconded by Mr. Allen
Unanimously Approved

IV. Welcome and Opening Remarks — Colette Pichon Battle, Gulf Coast Center for Law and Policy (Video 00:06:47)

V. Member Introductions — Advisory Group Members (Video 00:12:39)

VI. Climate Task Force Structure, Process and Timeline Overview — Lindsay Cooper, Office of the Governor (Video 00:24:30)

- Briefed members on Governor's Executive Order regarding impacts of climate change.
- Emission reduction goals from 2025-2050.
- Impacts & global temperature.

- Louisiana is #8 in top 10 emitting U.S. States and among top 5 in emission intensive states by GDP & per capita.
- Discussed U.S. National climate assessment key messages, outlook by 2050 in urban infrastructure, health risks, and increased flood risks in coastal & low lying regions.
- Also discussed natural ecosystems transformed as well as economic and health risks for rural communities. Explained why this effort matter to LA and that it exacerbates vulnerabilities and creates new risks.
- Outline and structure of task force values and objectives. Task force composed of 4 advisory groups and 6 committees. Explanation of roles for each section.
- Task force deliverables:
 - *Interim report by Feb. 2021*
 - *GHG inventory update by mid-2021*
 - *Final report by Feb. 2022*
- Review of climate initiatives, processes, timeline steps and tasks.
- Committee charge: Develop and evaluate emissions reductions proposals, strategies identified by committees and provide information, advise committees and Task Force by identifying strategies to reduce emissions. Assist committees in development and structure of strategy and mechanisms to ensure equitable measures that offer new opportunities for marginalized communities and increase equity in our society.

VII. Scoping Climate Equity — *Colette Pichon Battle, Gulf Coast Center for Law and Policy (Video 00:59:59)*

- Members invited to discuss their individual climate equity scope comments and questions to achieve equity.

VIII. Structured Decision-Making Process – *Lindsay Cooper, Office of the Governor (Video 01:05:43)*

- Analyze decisions to identify solutions, achieve desired outcomes in a transparent manner, encompasses broad set of methods, fundamental objectives, responses to legal mandates and integrated science & policy.
- Explanation of SDM framework, defining problems, determine objectives, identify & evaluate alternatives, consequences, trade-offs and decision making.

IX. Identifying Committee Objectives — *Advisory Group Members (Video 01:05:43)*

- Allowed each committee member to discuss their individual goals and objectives.

X. Discussion of Next Steps — *Lindsay Cooper, Office of the Governor (Video 01:37:37)*

- Discussion of timeline to interim report and steps between now and the next meeting.

XI. Public Comment

XII. Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Colten
Seconded by Mr. Cochran